

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1196

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Head Coach Gary Lamm and the 2017 Loretto High School Mustangs baseball team upon winning the TSSAA Class A State Baseball Tournament.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, the members of the 2017 Loretto High School Mustangs baseball team have proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and, as such, deserving of the highest regard; and

WHEREAS, the Mustangs achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2017 season, as they captured the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association's (TSSAA) Class A State Championship; and

WHEREAS, posting a tremendous regular season record of 30-3, the Loretto Mustangs won in spectacularly dramatic fashion in the championship game, as they defeated baseball powerhouse Goodpasture 4-0 to claim the school's first state baseball championship; and

WHEREAS, the Mustangs' extraordinary season included twenty-nine consecutive victories to finish the year with a record of 35-3 as they claimed District Champion, Regional Champion, and State Champion crowns; and

WHEREAS, the members of the state championship Loretto Mustangs are Blade Tidwell, Aaron Stooksberry, Kendall Franklin, Walker Brown, Jason Sharpton, Miles Fisher, Jake Jackson, Evan Morgan, Jacob Hallmark, Drew King, Lane Dryden, Kobe Schultz, Gunner Dickson, Skye McNatt, Jacob James, Ryan Weathers, Eli Hartsfield, Jacob Laws, and Lawrence Sutton III; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Loretto High School baseball team enjoyed the guidance and experience of an exceptional coaching staff, namely Head Coach Gary Lamm and assistant coaches Toby Dunn, Justin Lindsey, and David Weathers; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Loretto High School baseball team epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Loretto High School baseball team for their outstanding performance and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Head Coach Gary Lamm and the 2017 Loretto High School Mustangs baseball team on winning the TSSAA Class A State Championship and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.